

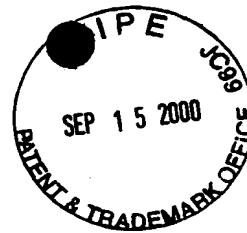
A check in the amount of the above Total Fee is attached. This amount is believed to be correct; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: METHODS OF TREATING A CONDITION BY STIMULATION OR INHIBITION OF
EPITHELIAL CELL GROWTH USING KERATINOCYTE GROWTH FACTOR

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This responds to the Office Action of March 15, 2000. A Petition for Extension of Time with the requisite fee is attached. Applicants do not believe that any further fees are owed. If this is not the case, Counsel for applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the undersigned's account No. 19-0741. Please amend the application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 46, 47, 48, 56, and 120, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims, as follows:

38. (Twice Amended) A method of stimulating epithelial cells comprising administering to a patient in need thereof an epithelial cell stimulating amount of a glycosylated or unglycosylated keratinocyte growth factor (KGF) polypeptide, wherein said polypeptide comprises (a) amino acids 65-189 of Figure 7 and (b) a sufficient number of consecutive amino acids 32 -78 of Figure 7 [and has a molecular weight of between about 16 and about 30 kDa, as

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